

FISCAL NOTE

HB 1841 - SB 1848

April 28, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Commission on Aging to develop and implement a respite care program in each of the nine (9) planning and service areas.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$450,000

- Assumes the need for respite care is usually associated with caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease.
- Approximately 1% of the older population develop Alzheimer's disease and related disorders (ADRD)
- Approximately 4% of the population 65 and over has a severe form of the illness
- A recent study estimates \$1,000 per year as the annual cost of caring for an Alzheimer's patient outside of an institution
- At least one (1) contract agency in each of the nine (9) planning and service areas will use the respite caregiver program at a maximum administrative cost of 10% of the program allocation

Estimate assumes \$450,000 to develop nine respite care programs which represents \$50,000 for one respite care program in each of the nine planning and service areas.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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